



National Commission on the Future of the Army
2530 Crystal Drive, Zachary Taylor Building, Suite 5000
Arlington, VA 22202

SUBJECT: Minutes from the Aviation Sub-Committee Meeting

Date: 9 July 2015

Time: Meeting called to order at 1825 Hours; adjourned at 1925 Hours

Location: 3403 East Central Texas Expressway, Killeen, TX

Attendees:

Commissioner Robert F. Hale, Aviation Sub-Committee Chairman
Commissioner Thomas R. Lamont, Aviation Sub-Committee Member
Commissioner Larry R. Ellis, Aviation Sub-Committee Member
Commissioner James D. Thurman, Aviation Sub-Committee Member
Mr. Mark Pizzuto, Alternate Designated Federal Officer
LTC Steve Pierce, NCFA Staff, Aviation Sub-Committee Co-Lead
LTC Gregory Hartvigsen, NCFA Staff, Aviation Sub-Committee Co-Lead
LTC Sean Spence, NCFA Staff
CPT Sarah Moore, NCFA Staff

Documents Submitted to the Commission: None.

Meeting Summary

Sub-Committee Chair Hale called the meeting to order and made opening remarks. The Alternate Designated Federal Officer then discussed the applicability of the Federal Advisory Committee Act to the sub-committee meeting. This was a subcommittee meeting with members and staff to discuss possible options relating to the transfer of Apaches from the National Guard to the Regular Army.

NCFA staff explained the details of a seven potential options for subcommittee member to narrow for further analysis. Potential options included procuring additional aircraft, changing the design of aviation units, altering the equipment modernization plans, and associating units from different components. Commissioners asked questions about each option. The bulk of the meeting was spent discussing the details of all options. At the end of the discussion period, Commissioners gave guidance to the Staff to eliminate options and further refine a number of options. Additionally, Commissioners directed development of the way ahead for more detailed analysis of options.

The meeting ended with the Commissioners giving tasks to the Staff to accomplish prior to the next Aviation Sub-Committee meeting scheduled for 16 July 2015 in Crystal City, VA. The meeting was adjourned at 1925 Hours.